Remarks

In the March 7, 2005 Office Action in the above case, claims 1-3, 5 and 7-10 were rejected as anticipated, claims 4, 6, and 16-19 were rejected as obvious, and claims 11-15 were indicated to contain allowable subject matter (albeit objected to as dependent on rejected claims). In view of the above amendment and the arguments recited below, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Previously Allowable Subject Matter

The Office Action indicated that claims 11-15 were allowable if rewritten in independent form. That has now been done. Note also that a grammatical error in claim 11 has also been corrected. Hence, claims 11-15 should now be allowed.

Claims 18-19 Subject Matter

In light of the indication of allowability of claim 11 subject matter, that subject matter has now been added to claim 18 (and thus also claim 19 dependent thereon). Hence, these claims are now believed to be allowable as well.

Claims 1-10, 16 and 17

Claim 1 (and thus also claims 2-9 dependent thereon) and claim 16 (and thus also claim 17 dependent thereon) have now been amended to further recite that the first volatile material and the second volatile material are the same and that the first volatile material and the second volatile material are released at different rates. This amendment has a basis in original claim 10 and at paragraph [0020] of the specification as filed. Claim 10 has been canceled in view of this amendment to claim 1.

Turning now to the cited art, U.S. patents 5,230,867 (Kunze et al.), 4,145,001 (Weyenberg et al.), 4,695,434 (Spector) and 6,713,024 (Arnell et al.) do not teach or suggest using the same volatile materials on different portions of a substrate where the volatile materials are released at different rates. Among other things, this configuration of the claimed invention provides for both quick

volatile release and long term protection (see paragraph [0023] of the specification). Accordingly, it is submitted that all of the limitations of amended claim 1 (and claims 2-9 dependent thereon) and amended claim 16 (and claim 17 dependent thereon) are not shown or suggested in the cited art.

Conclusion

In view of the amendment and remarks above reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. As there is now one additional independent claim (beyond three) an additional fee to pay for the independent claim is hereby authorized (currently believed to be \$200). Please charge that fee, plus any other needed fees, to Deposit Account 10-0849.

Respectfully submitted,

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